

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Walder, et al.

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR VISUAL RIBONUCLEASE  
DETECTION ASSAYS

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 25, 2007, and with the Examiner's approval, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** appear on page 3 of this paper.